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AMUSEMENTS.

CRAWFORD'S OPERA HOUSE.

THE GREAT COMEDY OF THE DAY.

"COLLARS AND CUFFS" AND "A PIECE OF PIE."

Introducing America's Brightest Footlights.

MISS FANNIE BRANK.

And the Prince of Comedians.

Supported by a talented Company of Artists.

Monday and Tuesday, May 2nd and 3rd, the great laugh success, "Collars and Cuffs," Wednesday and Thursday, May 4th and 5th, "A Piece of Pie," in three acts.

Prices for this engagement, 25, 50 and 75 cents. Reserved seats on sale Monday morning at Opera House box office.

WICHITA THEATRE.

REMA & YORRE, Proprietors and Managers.

South Main St., near Douglas Ave.

The popular family resort and the only place of amusement in the city open the year round.

PALOR STAGE.

FRANK HAMILTON, Grosseque Juggler.

FRANK JOSEPH, Vocalist.

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ADJOURNED.

The Sunday School Convention to Meet at the Call of the

Executive Committee—Election of Officers for the ensuing Year—Liberal Donation.

The forenoon was occupied very largely with business.

One of the best meetings of the convention was the Bible reading service conducted by the Rev. J. A. Bright, of Abilene, on "The Teachers Work and Reward."

At 9 o'clock report of committees were called for.—The business committee reported the organization of two new districts and some changes in old ones.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected: Dr. J. W. Redden, Topeka, president; Rev. J. A. Bright, Abilene, recording secretary.

C. L. Davidson, Wichita, treasurer.

Executive Committee—J. F. Drake, Emporia, chairman; T. B. Sweet, Topeka; H. C. Raab, Abilene; Rev. Henry Mackay, Emporia; J. W. Campbell, Topeka; Rev. B. F. Watson, Leavenworth; Rev. T. F. Donabauer, Topeka; C. Humble, Wichita; Alton Case, Oswego.

Hon. T. B. Sweet presented the question of making the general secretary a salaried officer. He said it was more a question of will than of ability. The work was needed and in no other way could it be done. If any church or Sunday school did not need our help, we needed them, and they should recall the question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" Though they could help the needy ones.

Although our assets were large we were in debt, and to put the work squarely on our feet, Bro. Sweet proposed to pay all our debts if we would turn over to him all unpaid pledges and raise \$2,000 for the ensuing year. This lifted a load and the convention took hold with a will.

Rev. J. A. Bright was chosen general secretary by the convention, which by counties, churches, Sunday Schools and individuals at once subscribed over \$900.

The question being passed very interesting historical addresses were made by the Rev. S. D. Storrs and H. C. Clark.

Rev. Storrs had the record of the first convention held 31 years ago, and he traced the growth and development of the work during its earlier years. Then Mr. C., who was for five years statistical secretary of the association, continued the history. Some of the resolutions passed 15 years ago read like a prophecy concerning prohibition, showing that the sentiment of prohibition is now new thing in Kansas, and if the nation shall come up to these resolutions as the state of Kansas has done we shall indeed be worthy of the name, The Land of Liberty.

The addresses and the paper containing a report of our first state convention were handed to the historian of our association and will be published in the State S. S. Journal, of which the convention ordered 5,000 copies published.

A resolution expressing the high appreciation of the association of the work done during the past year of our general secretary Hon. Nelson Case, and conveying to him our heartfelt thanks for the same was passed unanimously.

"Giving in the Sunday School," by Rev. F. T. Ingalls—We must have money to make our work a success. All our religious institutions depend upon the voluntary contributions of the people. It is a measure and a test of their devotion. The best results are obtained not by the large gifts of the few, but the small gifts of the many. The earlier we train people to this work of giving the better. What is raised for home work is just as sacred as that done for work abroad. No one method is the best. We may use class envelopes. In primary classes we may have children march to music and deposit their gifts on the altar. Children can be trained to give something of their own to the Lord regularly.

Rev. S. R. Barnitz—Raise money from the scriptural standpoint. One tenth as an obligation, but all that you have and are as a free will offering. What we want is Christian living by Christian giving. Giving is an act of worship and nothing else should be done at the same time. Have an interesting object to present before the children for their support, as an orphan child, then 2, 3 or 4 children. Let the money go direct to its place. Give the children a reason for giving. The little brown jug I invented though it was stolen by a Chicago man. Our first offerings in this jug amounted to \$300.

The time and place of the next meeting of the Association was left to the executive committee.

The elements of successful teaching was opened by Rev. W. T. Harper.

First—Securing attention absolutely necessary.

Second—Awakening interest or curiosity; make them believe there is something in the lesson that they are very anxious to know.

Third—Directing the investigation of the pupil, not telling them but getting them to find out for themselves.

Fourth—Stimulating thought; causing them to think as well as to find out facts.

Fifth—Arousing enthusiasm.

Sixth—The development of character as the climax and culmination of all.

Rev. Barnitz added sanctified gumption. Precisely at 4 p. m. the convention adjourned to enjoy the hospitality of our citizens in a run around the city. About thirty carriages were in waiting and while all could not be filled, as soon as the friends were aboard, Mr. J. R. Snively with his splendid team of bays led the procession up Lawrence to 15th street, out to Fairmount, along Hillside avenue, down Douglas street to the West Side, and up again to Davidson Park. Excepting a little dust in the city, the drive was delightful and greatly enjoyed.

At the evening session Prof. Burke, with his chorus led a service of song. Prof. Belcher, on the grand organ, accompanied "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." Prof. Burke sang a temperance solo, very popular in Chicago, "Save the Boys," which greatly pleased the audience.

After a few remarks, the chairman called upon Bro. Clark, who was present at the sixth annual meeting, and for six years was secretary.

Bro. Ingalls and I did the work of the committee. I am glad to know that there is so much advancement in our work, and hope soon to see a thousand delegates to our convention.

Rev. K. F. Watson said: We were glad to come, we were glad for the ride and glad you are becoming. To have a big meeting we must get our people to join the little meetings. We hope you will all be. Bro. J. W. Adams, smiling from beneath his silvery locks said that he thought boys should keep quiet in such large audiences and sat down.

Mrs. Anderson said to be interested in Kansas, we must be interested in the children. Let us take the children in our arms and save them from the damage of sin. I will go home and double my energies, seek my soul afresh from the great fountain of love and sympathy in God's heart. I will see to it that next year I double my diligence. There never was a Sunday School teacher that taught in vain.

J. W. Campbell said that we ought to have 1,000,000 persons in our Sunday schools. We have about 300,000, there is work to get in the 800,000. Rev. S. B. Fleming: Here we get up out of the valley, let us get up in the heights and take in the grand outlook. In no like period has any state received such a grand flood of emigration. What is to be its welcome? Is there no work for the Christian workers to do? Let us look and be impressed with the fact that now is a crisis which we must meet or be recanted to a great trust. There is need for present entire consecration to the Sunday school work for probably not one-fifth of our children are in the Sunday school.

J. R. Silver—I do not take in my responsibility to the state but I take in my responsibility to the home and county work.

Fifteen hundred teachers laboring in the Sunday schools of Shawnee county.

Resolutions of thanks for hospitality of citizens, for favors by newspapers and kindness of church officers.

J. F. Drake called the attention of persons who desired to go to the Chicago convention to report at once to him.

In many respects it has been one of the best conventions we have held. As far as conveniences and congregational singing are concerned we never had better. "I am one of those who feel a little sore about Wichita. Last week I sold from this counter \$500 worth of tickets for Wichita," said our ticket agent at Emporia.

Rev. J. W. Love said we have been benefited more by you than you by us.

At this stage W. E. Stanley took the platform and from counties and individuals raised, as usual, more than was asked, so that instead of \$1,500 we record \$1,642.

The closing speech was made by Rev. E. B. Barnitz—May you find some one redeemed by your gifts tonight, waiting to meet you at the beautiful gate. Here are we on the mountain top we must now go down to do our work. I never come to the close of such a convention but I think of the vision of St. Bernard, who, in sweet communion with Christ, heard the call come down and feed the Lord's poor. St. Bernard went down and when he returned he found the master waiting to greet him. He said I feared that when I returned you would be gone, but the Lord replied, hadst thou not gone down I had long as this taken my departure, but now I say "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me." So we must go down to feed the Lord's poor with the bread of life.

Before closing, Prof. Burkesing with wonderful effect, "The Handwriting on the Wall" while the audience listened with hushed and solemn interest.

Rev. Barnitz pronounced the benediction and thus closed a meeting which all enjoyed and which will long be remembered, not only for what was received from persons of the convention but quite as much from the citizens in their homes and about the city.

THE BASE BALL CLUB.

The officers of the Wichita Base Ball association have been extremely energetic and have set about getting up a club in true Wichita style. In just one week from the origin of the scheme they have succeeded in getting together a number of young players who come very highly recommended, and if they sustain their reputations upon which the managers have brought them to Wichita they will receive a hearty, genuine Wichita welcome.

There are now here twelve men who will at once go into practice each afternoon at the corner of Lawrence and Thirteenth. They are Schuler who caught last season for the Edwardsville, Ill., club and was afterwards signed by the Browns, of St. Louis, but was released about a month ago. Ira N. Perkins caught for the Cairo, Ill., club in 1885, '84 and '85 with Healy who pitched for the St. Louis Maroons. In 1885 Cairo won the Southern championship. C. N. Smith, pitcher of last year's Decatur, Ill., team during the first of the season and later on of the Little Rock, Arkansas, nine. L. Riley has a very good record as a strike out pitcher on one of the southern clubs, under the old rules.

Wm. Hemp played last year and part of this as change pitcher for Alto, Ill., and is credited with good work. Louis Whistler was Alto's first base for the past two seasons. James Stewart played second for the Keokuk, the champions last year of North St. Louis, who won 23 out of 27 games. Gus Scherringhausen was St. Joe's third base last year. John Haber played shortstop for the Waltons, of St. Louis, and the Madisons, of Edwardsville, champions of southern Illinois in 1886. E. Drummond played shortstop for the Leadville in 1876, and Charles Griffin center fielder of the same club. C. A. Rose, a well known local player, concludes the very creditable list.

It will be seen from the above that the players have good reputations, and if properly sustained will win for Wichita the state championship if not that of the west, and this is just what the people of Wichita expect of them. In order to do this they will have to play ball for all they are worth.

Work has been begun on the grounds, and the grand stand will be commenced tomorrow. Nearly a mile of the street car extension to the park at the corner of Waco and Clark streets is now laid.

Mr. Walden was yesterday collecting subscriptions and reported not a kicker on the list. He will in a few days be around for some more subscriptions to stocks.

MAJOR GOULD.

Major Gould arrived in the city last evening. He reports Wichita getting a good deal of free advertising at his home in Vincennes. One of the cranky editors of the hamlet goes into a fit every morning before breakfast because they ain't got a boom and never will have. His case seems to be a sad one and little hope among physicians of his recovery.

The Major stated last night that on his trip he had noticed that the wheat prospects in Kansas was much better than in any other state. Reaching the city he observed that the streets presented even a more lively scene than when he was here before. But a glance now elegant brick blocks could be seen where not a stone of the foundations of which had been put in place when he left the city. Wichita people talked boom and everything looked boom.

The strawberry and ice cream social given by Wichita Lodge No. 22, A. O. U. W., this evening promises to be a pleasant affair.

GAS HANDS ON SEA LEVEL.

It will be remembered that in yesterday's issue an article was communicated taking the position that there were some doubts about securing a good flow of gas 500 feet below sea level.

In a conversation with Mr. J. C. Tennant yesterday, contractor for sinking the gas well he stated that two-thirds of few of gas in Pennsylvania and southern Ohio, came from a sand located between 700 and 1,600 feet below sea level. The Gordon sand in Pennsylvania which is nearly fifty feet thick and is the largest oil and gas bearing sand in that state is near 1,300 feet below sea level. The Smith well comes from that sand and produces 4,300 barrels of oil per day.

The wells at Murrayville and Graperville, from which Pittsburg is supplied, are four hundred feet below sea level.

The location of the well being put down by Mr. Tennant is near thirteen hundred feet above sea level. It is the opinion of a number of gentlemen versed in that subject that the level of the sea has nothing whatever to do with the gas or oil sands. The conditions may have been such that those sands may be located at any distance below sea level.

NEWMAN-HINTON.

Yesterday evening was solemnized the marriage of Mr. E. A. Newman, of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Miss Florence Hinton, at the home of the bride's parents on North Mead avenue, Wichita, Kansas, the Rev. Mr. Hodgson of the M. E. church officiating. The wedding was a private affair, only members of the families of the bride and groom being present. Miss Flo Hinton is a native of Neodesha, Kans., and is highly esteemed by her many friends both there and in Wichita. She is a treasure deserving the best fate, and such it is believed she will have with him whom she has chosen for her companion. Mr. Newman is a prosperous and well equipped young business man who possesses the best character for integrity and manliness. They start in wedded life under favorable auspices, and may God bless and prosper them is the prayer of the many friends of the beautiful bride to whom she has been a source of sunshine and comfort since her lot has been cast among us. The newly married couple left on the evening train for Little Rock where they will make their future home.

SEKIDWICK COUNTY GAS COMPANY.

The natural gas fever seems to be spreading. The Sedgwick County Gas Company seems to be getting ready to get down to business. One of the gentlemen connected with the company yesterday stated that the company was making arrangements to commence work on sinking a well at an early date. The cry that they intended to lease all the ground possible and hold it in readiness to be developed providing the Wichita Mining and Investment Company succeeded, was incorrect. They did not want to profit by the other company's experience but would make investigation for themselves. It is the intention of the company to commence work at an early date. Already a gentleman has been secured to superintend the work of sinking a well. He would in a few days order machinery and proceed to work.

The well as yet has not been definitely located. It will probably be east of the city. The exact location will not be given to the types until some more leases are secured.

COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTORIES AND INDUSTRIES.

The committee on manufactures and industries of the Board of Trade held its first meeting yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Wichita Savings Bank. All the members were present and an organization was effected by electing Mr. Chas. C. Pavey secretary. The committee are now ready for work and will give every proposed enterprise coming before it careful and painstaking investigation. Hereafter the committee will have its headquarters at the law office of the secretary, Mr. Pavey, in rooms 3 and 4 in the new Feishelmer block, corner of Douglas avenue and Market street. The next meeting will be held at 3 p. m., Friday afternoon, when two new enterprises will come before it—one a \$100,000 bicycle factory and the other a \$150,000 barbed wire company.

AT THE RIVER BANK.

The Citizens' Land Co., of which Mr. J. C. Davidson is president and H. G. Lee secretary, will erect on the south side of Douglas avenue and at the east end of the bridge, a business building to be used as a storage and agricultural implement house.

This building will be four stories in height, with a front on Douglas avenue of 80 feet, and a depth parallel to the proposed river embankment of 140 feet. It will be very solidly built of brick with pressed brick and stone front, admirably equipped and furnished for the purpose to which it is to be applied.

Work upon the structure will be commenced as soon as the pile driving and filling in will be completed and thus a security given against the danger of the buildings being washed away before as well as after completion.

WHO DID IT.

Last night about 7 o'clock the people in the neighborhood of William and Fifth were startled by the report of three pistol shots. A large crowd soon collected around Mrs. Armstrong's place from where the shots were fired and Officer Tom McNamora entered the house. The female inmates were all up stairs and stated they had not done the shooting. The only man present, a physician of the city, was also in one of the upstairs rooms and protested his innocence.

The shots were fired from a room on the first floor and through the curtains of the window. Powder marks were upon the bed clothing. Two of the balls were found in the ground just outside of the window. But who fired them or why they were fired remains a mystery.

FRANK SILVER.

Mr. Frank Silver, a most estimable young man, 24 years of age, came here three weeks ago from Centerville, Ohio, to make Wichita his future home. Saturday he was taken ill he was confined to his bed. His illness was of such a nature as to cause no serious apprehension on the part of his friends, but yesterday, at a most unexpected moment, death came and relieved him of his sufferings. He leaves a widowed mother, two sisters and two brothers who are almost unconsoled over their loss. His remains will be sent back to his former home in Ohio, accompanied by Mr. A. V. Barkalow, a friend of the family.

SATURDAY'S RACE.

Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at Riverside Park, S. G. Lemon's Prairie Flower will run a three hundred yard race for \$250 a side, with James May's Comanche Jim. Lovers of sport have in store a promise of quite a treat in this race.

AMUSEMENTS.

CRAWFORD.

"A piece of Pie" was given last night to a fair sized audience at the Crawford. Mr. Gilday and Miss Beans were received with the same favor as upon the previous evening.

To-night their last appearance a triple bill will be presented: "Lemmie," "Three Sisters" and "A Door Tender's Trouble."

The next attraction will be Miss Minnie Madden of which the N. Y. Journal says:

Miss Minnie Madden gave a very pleasing first night performance at the Criterion Theatre, where a fashionable audience had assembled to witness the production of "Caprice." The play was brilliantly enacted throughout. There is an indescribable something about the charming little actress which seemed to fascinate the audience and excite general admiration. Her support was good and the scenery well set.

GARFIELD OPERA HOUSE.

This cozy amusement parlor was again well attended last evening, several of Wichita's best families occupying the opera chairs and enjoyed the very amusing comic opera "La Mascotte," which received its fourth representation last evening. It will constitute the attraction for this and tomorrow evening and also the matinee Saturday.

The school children will be presented with a special ticket which admits them for 10 cents. Those not having the ticket will pay fifteen cents. Adults twenty-five.

This evening a special attraction is offered when A. H. Knoll, the celebrated American cornet virtuoso, will perform several of his popular cornet solos.

Messrs. Ennis & Young, of the Garfield Opera House, have kindly consented to give the Benevolent home a benefit. The benevolent home is entirely out of funds, and must have money. The benefit will be given Saturday afternoon matinee. The opera will be announced hereafter. The Garfield opera house will seat 600, and every seat in the building should be occupied.

Crowds continue to fill the museum at every performance; the popular attractions are both instructive and entertaining. The auditorium program last evening was the beautiful nautical comedy drama "Ben Bolt," which will continue to hold the boards this week.

ACKERMAN & CO'S STATEMENT.

To the Editor of the Eagle.

While we have kept silent during the recent action of some members of the city council concerning "The Island," we feel called upon to make a reply to the uncalculated and untruthful article in yesterday's Beacon.

First. The island contains ten acres of good land much higher than many of the lots offered by the agitators of this attempted outrage on our rights.

Second. Instead of closing the west channel of the river it is our intention to keep it open, otherwise our packing house is of no use to us.

Third. We do not own all the land opposite the river.

Fourth. We are not obstructing the channel of the river in any way, nor do we intend to do so.

As to the island being free to all we would respectfully inform the city fathers that we hold a warranty deed to it, and are here to stay and would kindly call their attention to the trespass laws of the great state of Kansas.

As to the ten men there were but two, and small ones at that, who were there to legally defend what belonged to them.

We would kindly ask the Beacon man, who, by the way, is more adapted to fictions than facts, to call on us and see and obtain facts before turning himself loose again. We are not dangerous, and while we do kill hogs, beef and calves, we never injure the father of a male.

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ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

The directors of the Academy of Music held a meeting Wednesday night to consider the propositions for a building site, which had been submitted. The merits of the several locations under consideration were discussed and upon certain conditions one of the corners of Emporia and Central